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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Patent Application Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment into the above-referenced application.

## <u>ABSTRACT</u>

Please insert the attached abstract into the application as the last page thereof.

## **CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please delete claims 1-8.

Please enter new claims 9-12.

Please amend new claims 9-12 as follows:

In claim 10, line 1, please replace "as defined in claim 1" with –as defined in claim 9--.

In claim 12, line 1, please replace "as defined in claim 3" with –as defined in claim 11--.

## **REMARKS**

The above preliminary amendment is made to delete claims 1-8, add new claims 9-12, correct dependencies in new claims 9-12 and insert an abstract page into the application

Applicant respectfully requests that this preliminary amendment be entered into the record prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicant's attorney of record, Michael B. Lasky at 952.912.0527.

Respectfully submitted,

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